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INEBRIETY OF MONEVED MEN.

Getting Drunk with Complacency and Satisfaction—A Convivialist's Look.

"One little New York Letter."

There is no more interesting and amusing spectacle in the streets of New York than the inebriety of moneved men at hours when more useful members of society are engaged in business. It is an understanding among the fashionably bibulous that nobody can get drunk with complacency and entire satisfaction unless he wastes some of the time and money in a certain notoriously gorgeous Broadway groggery. To see the worst-drank in town because they are men who ought to know better, the observer wanders into this region in the afternoon and takes a seat by a window commanding a view of the western arm had hardly done so before a hansom cab stopped so suddenly that two well-dressed and favorably happy fellows were all but thrown out over the dash-board. They smiled feebly at each other, and climbed with some difficulty to the sidewalk. They were red-faced and tottering. Their very fine clothes were slightly awry. One said to the driver, with dignity: "Much?"

"Two dollars, guess, please," was the affable reply of the rascal.

"Give you 50 cents," said the other, pulling a handful of jingling coin and rumpaling notes out of a pocket. "Oh, you'd better make it \$1, sir. You know I had to help you get into the hansom." "Well, I'll match you whether it's \$1 or nothing." The proposition was accepted. The cabman won. The convivialist insisted on a second chance, and again lost. A third time his luck was bad. Then he threw \$5 to the winner, and, waving around the waist of his companion and wearily entered the bar-room. His name would be recognized by every reader as connected with far-different interests than whiskey. Ten minutes later a man conspicuous in the financial world rolled up in another carriage. His usual weight of dignity was all there, but not under complete control. He fumbled awhile before getting out. \$1 for his fare, he staggered into the house, and sank soggily into a chair. Soon two cabs rattled noisily down the street at a terrific speed for that sort of vehicle, with two sons of "first families" wildly waving short waving through the windows, and the drivers leaning forward like jockeys on horseback. The race ended at the rum-shop door, and the four men had a loud hubbub over the result.

The German and the Anglo-Saxon.

"[Gath] in Cincinnati Enquirer." The conversation running upon the Anglo-Saxon, and the German or Saxon race, I asked Mr. Bookwalter to define the distinction between them. He said: "The German race is deductive, and the English or Anglo-Saxon race is inductive. The German assumes a principle and traces the facts out from it. The Anglo-Saxon gets the facts first, and makes them prove his principle. It is the difference between Bacon and Leibnitz. Though I am of German stock, and I have some of that idealism about me which comes down through my blood, I am a believer in the Anglo-Saxon and his methods. The German builds a metaphysical or mystical quack which enters into even his science.

"For instance, Kepler, who was a most useful man in his perceptions, in wrote a beautiful theory with his planetary and stellar system that there was a sort of rhythm in nature, like poetry, and that the motion of the spheres went in certain subtle harmonies, which he thought would one day be found. Newton on the other hand, who was of the Anglo-Saxon school, formed no poetry, but looked at the facts as they were closest to him, and he got the truth. He saw that there was a law of gravity, and that law was shown to him by the apple falling from the tree and the earth pulled toward the sun. His imagination had nothing mystical or poetical about it, but went straight through the universe to a law, glancing as he went along to see if anything disobeyed that law. I have not studied out the origin of the Anglo-Saxons, but I should think it would make a remarkable study."

Hairstressing in Paris.

[New York Sun.] But the cutting of hair and the curling thereof, says Figaro, are but child's play compared with the duction of the hair into the intricate trimming of a beard! Dilettante little shears, with keen-edged blades, are what your Parisian hairdresser employs. He will not stoop to touch the clipping machine, that has grown so familiar to Gothamites who consult the German barbers. "Do you think," the learned French barber exclaimed with a fine indignation, "that Maitreton could produce his beard with a hair-cutting machine? The clipping machine is a barbarous implement of facial disfigurement."

The dressing of woman's hair is one of the choicest labors of your knight of the curling iron. Upon it he bestows the most loving care, and his most poetic imagination. In Paris no barber is allowed to touch a woman's hair until he has been at least two years under training with a competent master of the art. And in Paris all the ladies' hairdressers are men. Once every year the professors meet to decide which shall be the prevailing style of hairdressing for the coming season, and once every year competitors for the honor of creating the style have a public contest at hairdressing in the art school. They work upon living models.

Increasing the Pod Product.

[Cor. Rural New Yorker.] By selecting the pods of Lima beans which contained four seeds, and planting these, I found next year that the number containing four beans had greatly increased, most of them containing only one or two. The process was repeated, and the result the second year was that a majority of the pods then contained four beans, and a few had five beans. In the third year scarcely a pod contained less than three, the majority four, and a large number five.

An Eccentric East.

[Richmond.] The late earl of Dysart was a very eccentric man. It is said that when he wanted a pair of boots or shoes the son of St. Crispin who supplied him lordship had to measure his feet on the outside of his sitting-room door, the noble legs to which they belonged being thrust through the door panels.

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